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Dear Sir or Madam,

EPA Region 8 invites you to a meeting at EPA's Denver offices on September 17, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. As an interested party in the Uinta Basin, you are an important stakeholder in EPA's consideration of developing an Indian country-specific rulemaking on the Uinta and Ouray Indian Reservation. The purpose of this potential rulemaking would be to achieve volatile organic compound (VOC) emission reductions at existing oil and gas sources located in Indian country. This rulemaking would be implemented in advance of the 2017 ozone designation process, in time to achieve early VOC emission reductions and improve air quality in the Basin.

On August 18, 2015, the EPA Administrator signed proposed Control Technique Guidelines (CTG) for existing Oil and Gas Operations

(http://www.epa.gov/airquality/oilandgas/actions.html). These CTGs largely mirror the current and proposed New Source Performance Standard (NSPS) Subpart OOOO requirements for new oil and gas sources. As you may know, there are approximately 9,000 oil and gas wells with associated equipment operating on Indian country in the Uinta Basin which pre-date NSPS subpart OOOO and are operating without federally enforceable emission controls. In addition to Utah's rules for existing sources, EPA is considering using the CTGs as a basis for our possible Indian country-specific rulemaking, to create a level playing field in the Basin.

The goal of the September 17th meeting is to gain your input as to which CTGs would be most appropriate, practical and cost-effective to consider in potential rulemaking. We are also

interested in new ideas for control strategies for equipment, such as dehydrators, that are not yet part of state or federal requirements. Staff from the Utah Division of Air Quality and the Utah Indian Tribe will also be attending, as we move forward together to address VOC emissions from existing oil and gas sources in the Uinta Basin.

If you know of someone who would be interested in attending, who is not listed above, please forward this invite to them.

Please RSVP to me at <u>ostendorf.jody@epa.gov</u> or 303 312-7814 by September 15, 2015. The agenda is attached.

Thank you,

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